

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HANDRECK et al.

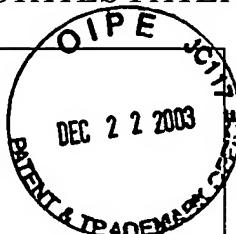
Serial No.: 10/042,756

Filed: November 6, 2002

Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: A. Pulliam

Atty. Docket No.: 03-117-US-C



PAMIDRONATE SOLUTION

RECEIVED

DEC 31 2003

CENTER 1600/2900

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CUSTOMER NO. 00718

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months, through and including December 18, 2003, to respond to the Office Action with a date of mailing of June 18, 2003. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being

MAILED

Deposited with the United States Postal Service on December 18, 2003, with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FACSIMILE

transmitted by facsimile on [date] to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Type Signature Name

Jody L. Burtner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jody L. Burtner".

(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

12/29/2003 SDENB0B1 00000114 10042756

01 FC:1253

950.00 0P

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

The _____ which this extension is requested

is filed herewith.

has been filed.

The response is the filing of a continuing application on the same date hereof, and the abandonment of this application is expressly conditioned on the granting of a filing date for the continuing application.

Applicant is

a small entity - verified statement

is enclosed.

has been filed.

other than a small entity.

The extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5) is calculated below:

	<u>LARGE ENTITY</u>	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110	\$ 55
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420	\$ 210
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950	\$ 475
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1480	\$ 740
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$2010	\$ 1005
Fee:	\$950.00	\$

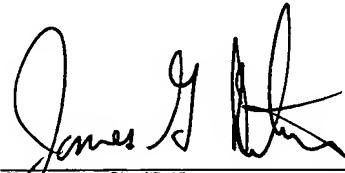
BEST AVAILABLE COPY

The Director is authorized to charge the \$[amount] extension fee to Deposit Account No. 18-0582.

A check including the amount of **\$950.00** representing the extension fee is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0582. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



James G. Dilmore
Reg. No. 51,618

REED SMITH LLP
P.O. Box 488
Pittsburgh, PA 15230-0488
(412) 288-3813

Agent for Applicant

BEST AVAILABLE COPY